

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1721
ANSWERED ON 15/12/2025

SCHOLARSHIP SCHEMES FOR MINORITIES

1721. SHRI SAMIRUL ISLAM:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) details on the number of scholarships sanctioned under the post-Matric Scholarship Scheme for the last five years, State-wise; and

(b) budget allocation and its utilisation (in INR) for all scholarship schemes administered by Government since 2019, year-wise and scheme-wise?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS

(SHRI KIREN RIJJU)

(a): Ministry of Minority Affairs has implemented Pre-Matric, Post Matric and Merit-cum-Means Scholarship schemes for socio-economic and educational empowerment of the six notified minority communities. However, the schemes had not been approved for implementation beyond 2021-22. The details on number of beneficiaries and amount disbursed during last five years (2017-18 to 2021-22) under Post-matric Scholarship Scheme of Ministry of Minority Affairs is at Annexure-I.

(b): The budgetary allocation and its utilization for Scholarship schemes administered by Ministry of Minority Affairs, Ministry of Education, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment and Ministry of Tribal Affairs is at Annexure-II.

Annexure-I

(Annexure as mentioned in reply to part (a) of the Rajya Sabha unstarred question No.1721 answered on 15.12.2025 on the subject of “Scholarship schemes for Minorities”)

State-wise number of beneficiaries and amount disbursed during last 5 years under Post-Matric Scholarship Schemes											
S.No	States/UTs	2017-18		2018-19		2019-20		2020-21		2021-22	
		No. of beneficiaries	Amount (In Rs. crore)	No. of beneficiaries	Amount (In Rs. crore)	No. of beneficiaries	Amount (In Rs. crore)	No. of beneficiaries	Amount (In Rs. crore)	No. of beneficiaries	Amount (In Rs. crore)
1	Andhra Pradesh	14161	11.08	13292	11.41	15408	12.95	12661	9.69	15216	11.32
2	Telangana	16275	11.2	15597	12.11	17393	13.90	18372	14.63	20843	16.8
3	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	Assam	33071	23.25	27856	19.67	38531	32.94	30456	24.78	49106	51.34
5	Bihar	50511	33.55	49333	32.4	48456	30.53	43512	18.12	19642	9.55
6	Chhattisgarh	2189	1.2	2114	1.3	2202	1.38	2198	1.27	2744	1.54
7	Goa	291	0.2	140	0.1	218	0.15	349	0.21	458	0.27
8	Gujarat	20454	12.1	20652	12.1	23445	13.43	21289	11.6	23519	12.82
9	Haryana	5247	3.66	3792	2.71	4703	3.22	5194	3.31	7824	4.58
10	Himachal Pradesh	570	0.33	430	0.21	534	0.26	500	0.24	637	0.29
11	Jammu and Kashmir	26695	16.82	28536	20.24	111052	72.51	53725	30.38	47574	27.47
12	Jharkhand	15025	9.96	12616	8.61	13182	8.72	5918	2.99	5494	3.41
13	Karnataka	43917	27.47	48924	32.87	74944	49.90	55081	34.24	73830	43.98
14	Kerala	63084	30.38	65875	30.36	65635	32.68	67583	31.8	74271	37.55
15	Ladakh	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	1593	0.91	905	0.5
16	Madhya Pradesh	18319	11.13	18536	12.02	22038	14.47	20430	13.6	23622	16.13
17	Maharashtra	47697	23.84	48332	23.62	48331	24.23	47333	23.02	42110	20.97
18	Manipur	3846	2.9	3860	3.13	5599	4.86	4497	3.82	4629	3.93
19	Meghalaya	6129	3.96	6563	4.41	7533	5.06	7254	4.88	5306	3.63
20	Mizoram	1367	1	1300	1.04	1309	1.17	1144	0.85	1702	1.34
21	Nagaland	6301	4.16	4360	3.58	5332	4.58	6029	4.88	6421	5.45
22	Odisha	3260	2.41	2134	1.63	2738	1.98	3146	1.91	4030	2.4
23	Punjab	61883	27.2	55829	27.46	56646	30.18	53450	27.66	55430	29.96
24	Rajasthan	23982	15.78	24437	18.27	27933	20.73	27404	19.39	30012	21.26
25	Sikkim	101	0.06	104	0.05	52	0.03	85	0.04	289	0.15
26	Tamil Nadu	39193	21.79	36628	21.72	43241	25.93	44319	24.79	52409	29.18
27	Tripura	1054	0.68	1164	0.89	1067	0.73	1004	0.63	1766	1.21
28	Uttar Pradesh	94518	62.21	86303	62.22	94291	68.20	4646	3.37	5296	3.85
29	Uttarakhand	4102	3.12	2830	2.3	4521	3.43	114388	81.22	134433	100.2

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30	West Bengal	89303	50.08	99957	55.4	3730	3.15	5184	5.49	6548	7.09
31	Andaman & Nicobar	53	0.04	18	0.01	9	0.01	278	0.1	295	0.1
32	Chandigarh	174	0.08	115	0.05	154	0.06	123	0.05	117	0.05
33	Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu	56	0.01	59	0.05	81	0.03	57	0.02	78	0.03
34	Delhi	4854	1.96	2063	0.9	2261	0.89	3518	1.08	2908	0.86
35	Lakshadweep	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0
36	Puducherry	387	0.23	516	0.31	572	0.36	596	0.33	629	0.33
Total		6,98,069	413.84	6,84,265	423.18	7,43,141	482.65	6,63,316	401.31	7,20,093	469.57

Annexure-II

(Annexure as mentioned in reply to part (b) of the Rajya Sabha unstarred question No.1721 answered on 15.12.2025 on the subject of “Scholarship schemes for Minorities”)

(i) Scholarship Schemes of Minority Affairs

(Amount in Rs. Crore)

Scheme	Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme		Post Matric Scholarship Scheme		Merit-Cum-Means based Scholarship Scheme		
	Year	Allocation	Expenditure	Allocation	Expenditure	Allocation	Expenditure
	2019-20	1199.82	1324.85	482.66	428.77	361.51	285.63
	2020-21	1330.00	1325.54	535.00	512.81	400.00	396.34
	2021-22	1378.00	1350.99	468.00	411.87	325.00	345.77

The Scholarship Schemes of Minority Affairs had not been approved for implementation beyond 2021-22.

(ii) National Means-cum-Merit Scholarship Scheme of Department of School Education and Literacy

(Amount in Rs. Crore)

Year	Allocation	Expenditure
2019-20	335.20	331.26
2020-21	350.00	321.11
2021-22	284.20	251.98
2022-23	307.45	306.49
2023-24	358.00	313.10
2024-25	352.60	352.49

(iii) Details of Funds allocated and spent under PM-USP Schemes under Department of Higher Education

(Amount in Rs. Crore)			
FY	Scheme Name	Final Grant	Fund Utilized
2019-20	CSSS	380	161.86
	SSS for J&K and L		207.02
2020-21	CSSS	166.35	166.31

	SSS for J&K and L	225	128
2021-22	CSSS	206.32	192.4
	SSS for J&K and L	225	184
2022-23	CSSS	242	229.46
	SSS for J&K and L	200	200
2023-24*	CSSS	454	217.82
	SSS for J&K and L		200
2024-25	CSSS	403.7	259.66
	SSS for J&K and L		143.9

* From FY 2023-24 onwards, the schemes had come under umbrella scheme PM-USP Yojana with a common budget

(iv) Top Class Education and National Overseas Scheme for Scheduled Castes Students under SHREYAS scheme under Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment

(Amount in Rs. Crore)

	Top Class Education		National Overseas Scheme	
Year	Allocation	Expenditure	Allocation	Expenditure
2019-20	40.50	39.70	20.00	28.56
2020-21	50.00	52.87	30.00	32.92
2021-22	70.00	84.72	35.00	49.07
2022-23	108.00	85.67	50.00	86.59
2023-24	100.0	83.84	85.00	88.56
2024-25	103.00	103.26	95.00	74.17

(v) Pre-Matric and Scholarship Scheme for Scheduled Castes students under Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment

(Amount in Rs. Crore)

	Pre-Matric for SCs		Post-Matric for SCs	
Year	Allocation	Expenditure	Allocation	Expenditure
2019-20	385.00	382.1	2690.00	2711.31
2020-21	627.00	596.33	3815.87	4010.16
2021-22	725.00	570.39	4196.59	1978.56
2022-23	500.00	208.62	5660.00	4392.50
2023-24	430.00	446.64	5400.00	5475.42
2024-25	450.00	461.35	5500.00	5581.52

(vi) The Post-Matric, Pre-Matric, National Fellowship, National Scholarship (Top Class) and National Overseas Scholarship for Scheduled Tribes under Ministry of Tribal Affairs.

(Amount in Rs. Crore)

Scheme	Pre-Matric		Post-Matric		NFST & Top Class		NOS	
Year	Allocation	Expenditure	Allocation	Expenditure	Allocation	Expenditure	Allocation	Expenditure
2019-20	440.00	439.99	1,862.65	1,862.62	100.00	100.00	2.00	2.00
2020-21	250.00	248.90	1,833.00	1,830.14	120.00	120.00	4.76	4.76

2021-22	394.14	394.14	2,257.72	2,257.72	120.00	120.00	4.95	4.95
2022-23	357.30	357.30	1,965.00	1,965.00	145.00	145.00	4.00	4.00
2023-24	308.61	308.60	2,668.83	2,668.83	230.00	230.00	7.00	7.00
2024-25	163.69	163.69	2,598.34	2,598.34	240.00	240.00	6.00	6.00